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1. claims: 1-15

The said claims relate to aprocess of purification of the known compound Mycophenolate mofetil

2. claims: 16-23

The said claims relate to aprocess of preparation of mycophenolate mophetil

3. claims: 24-25

The said claims relate to alternative salts of the known salts of mycophenolate mofetil

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